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§ 122. Appearance and disappearance of plants.— * * * A part of our river (the Charles) is laid bare for mill repairs once a year, giving a fine chance to look for rare water-plants. After searching many seasons in vain for Isoetes, I at last found the bottom of a canal covered like a field of grass with one species. This season there is little of it, but in its place a small Chara, *Nitella gracilis*, Sm. So of *Utricularia gibba*, L.: after years of search, I found it right in my most frequented path, covering half an acre of wet meadow land so completely that I could not step without crushing the beautiful little yellow flowers. *Polygala polygama*, Walt., has always been rare in this vicinity, but one year it came in on a sandy roadside, covering the ground with the finest plants I have ever found. Neither of these plants has again been seen on the same ground. I searched ten years for good specimens of *Rhexia Virginica*, L., for my herbarium, when, as if by magic, an acre of ground was all ablaze with it. These lasted two or three years and disappeared. The same might be said of *Drosera longifolia*, L., and several other plants.

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South Natick, Mass.

§ 123. *Opuntia vulgaris*, Mill.—Since my note in the last No. I have examined *Opuntia vulgaris* from Harper's Ferry, Va., and *O. Rafinesquii* from Illinois, both in cultivation by Thomas Meehan, Germantown, Pa., with judgment confirmed. I have also received specimens of *O. Rafinesquii* from Woodbury, N. J., from the same kind of soil as the Haddenfield specimens. These bear tubers on the roots as mentioned in Vol. IV. of the Pacific R. R. Reports in the case of *O. fusiformis*, a form of *O. Rafinesquii*. I have not succeeded in finding tubers on *O. vulgaris*, and the published description makes no mention of them.

I. C. MARTINDALE.

§ 124. Coplay, Lehigh Co., Pa.—I notice that the southern limit for *Aspidium acrostichoides*, Swartz, var. *incisum*, as given by Mr. Edwards' Catalogue of North American Ferns, is New York. I take pleasure in stating that it has been found growing in Lehigh Co. by Mr. P. A. Lantz, of Saegerville, who favored me with a fine specimen. I have found here this season *Eriophorum gracile*, Koch, and *Rhyncospora alba*, Vahl. Are these plants common to Southern Pennsylvania? I have not found them as yet in any other locality hereabouts.

A. F. KROUT.

§ 125. Supplement to the Directory—Additions and Corrections.—

Allen, Dr. T. F., 10, E. 36th St., New York.
Bechdolt, Robert, Bethlehem, Pa.; not active.
Hess, Dr. R. J., Bethlehem, Pa.; removed.

March, W. T., Spanishtown, Jamaica, W. I.;
deceased.
Rose, Miss Mary W., not Roe, Clyde, N. Y.
Ruger, M. C., 54, Tompkins St., New York.

ERRATA.—P. 109, read "*Fucus vesiculosus*"; p. 111, lines 8 and 9, read "*Rhodomeniaceae*," and "*Rhodomenia*."

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